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Metropolitan State Hospital

ANNOUNCEMENT

All California State Hospitals are in the process of becoming Tobacco Free environments for our Individuals, employees, lessees, visitors, students, contractors, and any other persons who may enter our campus. Once the transition is complete, the use of tobacco products in any form on the grounds of this facility will be prohibited.

The date for Metropolitan State Hospital to become a Tobacco Free Facility is set for April 1, 2009. In anticipation of this change, we have designated a hospital-wide steering committee (membership of which includes the Individuals being treated) and many sub-committees who will work on the planning, development and implementation of the transition plan to insure a smooth as possible transition into a Tobacco-Free campus.

During the upcoming months, we will be planning smoking cessation workshops and arranging for additional resources to assist our Individuals and employees in this transition.